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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the first Office Action on the merits mailed September 5, 2003, having a shortened period for reply of three (3) months, due to expire December 5, 2003, be extended for a period of two (2) months from December 5, 2003, to February 5, 2004, to permit timely filing of the Amendment/Response enclosed herewith.

In the event that an additional extension of time is required, Applicants hereby petition for such extension of time. The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the required fee, if applicable, to Deposit Account No. 14-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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